

## SHORT-TERMS MAY NOT BE CHANGED TO TRIAL LEAVES

### Roosevelt Signs Bill to Withdraw Disloyal Nisei Citizenship

President Roosevelt signed legislation to withdraw the citizenship of Japanese born in this country whose loyalty to the enemy marks them as Japanese nationals, July 8, the Associated Press reports.

Francis Biddle, attorney general, said the law was needed to deal with the problem of 300 to 1,000 Japanese at the Tule Lake relocation center who, he said, "assert their desire to renounce their United States citizenship and to be recognized as Japanese nationals."

By making it possible for this group to abandon American citizenship, Biddle told Congress, "they should thereupon be dealt with as alien enemies under the applicable statutes."

### NO REPAIRS PERMITTED ON PRIVATE CARS

Effective immediately, no work will be done on any privately owned automobile equipment in any of the garages on the project, according to a memorandum issued by Project Director Duncan Mills.

Any privately owned cars or trucks found in any of the garages will be picked up by the Internal Security officer and impounded, the memo stated.

### W.R.A. Leave Regulations Revised

Seasonal and short-term leave may not be converted to trial period indefinite leave according to revisions of the WRA leave regulations received by Project Director Duncan Mills.

"It is expected that residents of the relocation centers will make increasing use of trial period indefinite

leave rather than short-term leave," the Washington office of WRA pointed out, since it gives the evacuees a four to six months' period to make a permanent adjustment in a new community, and permits them to return to the center if such an attempt is unsuccessful.

"Trial period indefinite leave, however, may be issued only at the center, and evacuees out on seasonal and short-term leave will not be granted permission to transfer to trial period indefinite leave."

Additional revisions of leave regulations at this time provide that: (1) each person 18 years of age or over, plus those who became 17 before May 17, 1944, must execute a separate Trial Period Agreement in applying for trial period indefinite leave; (2) an evacuee who is converting to indefinite leave from short-term, seasonal or trial period indefinite leave, who is otherwise eligible for a grant, and who has paid his own travel expense to the community in which he is resettled, may be reimbursed for his actual travel expense including federal tax on his ticket; and (3) travel of evacuees on indefinite leave may now be authorized to points of relocation outside the continental limits of the United States.

### BIG SEND-OFF GIVEN BOYS

A big send-off, the first of its kind here, was given to six local men, who left the project for active duty last Saturday night.

Project director Duncan Mills, delivered a message following the raising of colors by the Boy Scouts and singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the audience.

Mitsugi Nomoto of Elk. 15 did not leave Saturday night with the group as his papers did not arrive. He will leave as soon as his transportation arrives.

The order of the eighth member, Frank H. Maruyama of Elk. 316 was revoked.

### 14 EVADERS PICKED UP

Fourteen Nisei, who refused induction on June 28, were taken from the project last Friday by FBI agents to Phoenix where they appeared before the U.S. Commissioner.

The majority of the evaders returned to the project after posting bond.